

# County of Los Angeles CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICE

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January 29, 2008

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The Honorable Board of Supervisors County of Los Angeles 383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration 500 West Temple Street Los Angeles, CA 90012

Dear Supervisors:

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS: RESOLUTION TO VACATE ALLEYS EAST OF HOLMES AVENUE UNINCORPORATED COMMUNITY OF FLORENCE-FIRESTONE FUTURE PUBLIC HEARING (SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT 1) (3 VOTES)

#### IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD:

- 1. Adopt the Resolution of Intention to Vacate with Reservations the alleys east of Holmes Avenue in the unincorporated County area known as Florence-Firestone, pursuant to Section 8320, et seq., of the California Streets and Highways Code.
- 2. Set the matter for hearing not less than 15 days from the adoption of the Resolution pursuant to Section 8320 of the California Streets and Highways Code.
- Instruct the Executive Officer of your Board to publish the enclosed Notice of Proposed Vacation pursuant to Section 8322 of the California Streets and Highways Code.

#### AFTER THE PUBLIC HEARING, IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD:

 Adopt the Resolution to Conditionally Vacate with Reservations the alleys, pursuant to Section 8324 of the California Streets and Highways Code, after finding that: The Honorable Board of Supervisors January 29, 2008 Page 2

- a. These actions are categorically exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act.
- b. The alleys are no longer needed for present or prospective public use and are not useful as nonmotorized transportation facilities.
- c. The public convenience and necessity require the reservation and exception of easements and rights as set forth in Section 8340 of the California Streets and Highways Code.
- 2. Upon approval, authorize the Department of Public Works to record the certified original Resolution in the office of the Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk.

#### PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

The purpose of the recommended actions is to vacate the alleys east of Holmes Avenue since they no longer serve the purpose for which they were dedicated and are not required for public access or transportation.

#### Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals

The Countywide Strategic Plan directs that we provide Fiscal Responsibility (Goal 4) and Public Safety (Goal 8). The vacation of the alleys will result in added revenue through property taxes and will allow for an increase in safety and security of the residents and businesses by gating the alleys and eliminating a refuge for criminals.

#### FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

There will be no impact to the County General Fund.

The applicant has paid a \$2,000 fee to defray the expenses of investigation, mailings, publication, and posting. The fee was authorized by your Board in a resolution adopted May 4, 1982, Synopsis 62 (Fee Schedule), and as prescribed in Section 8321 (d) of the California Streets and Highways Code.

#### FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

The alleys to be vacated contain approximately 10,903 square feet and are shown on the map attached to each resolution.

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The County's interest was acquired by dedication on the map of the First Addition to Huntington Park, recorded in Book 4, page 40, of Maps, in the office of the Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk in the County of Los Angeles as easements for alley purposes.

Mr. Gary J. Herman, Sr., along with other adjoining property owners, is requesting your Board to initiate proceedings for vacation of the alleys pursuant to Streets and Highways Code Section 8320(a)(2). Mr. Herman requested the vacation to help prevent drug, homeless, and vandalism activity within the alleys. In recent times, there have been multiple reports of burglaries to the businesses, dumping and burning of trash, stolen/abandoned cars, and drug use and sales in or abutting the alleys. The vandals in the area are using the alleys as hangouts.

The proposed vacation is conditioned upon the applicants complying with the following:

- 1. Submit gate details to the Department of Public Works (Public Works) and the Fire Department for review and approval. The gates shall be located outside of the road right of way and open inward.
- 2. Construct gated entrances at Randolph Street, Wilmington Avenue, and 58th Place to the satisfaction of Public Works.
- 3. Provide access to the Fire Department (i.e., Knox Box) at Randolph Street, Wilmington Avenue, and 58th Place.

The above conditions must be successfully met to the satisfaction of Public Works within one year of the date this resolution is adopted by your Board or the vacation will terminate and become null and void.

Adoption of the attached resolution and the subsequent recordation, when the conditions have been satisfied, will terminate the County's rights and interest in the alleys. Your action will also result in the properties being unencumbered of the easements, thereby allowing the underlying fee owners to exercise their reversionary rights over the vacated areas.

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#### **ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION**

These actions are categorically exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) as specified in Sections 15305 and 15321 of the State CEQA Guidelines which state that this class of projects consisting of minor alterations in land use limitations and actions to revoke entitlement for use, issue and adopted by the regulatory agency, have been determined not to have a significant effect on the environment.

#### **IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)**

These actions will allow for additional property taxes through elimination of the alleys. Existing easement rights for utility facilities will be reserved to Golden State Water Company, Pacific Bell Telephone Company (dba AT&T California), Southern California Edison Company, and Time Warner Cable.

#### CONCLUSION

Please return one adopted copy of this letter to Public Works, Mapping & Property Management Division. Also, upon adoption of the Resolution of Intention to Vacate with Reservations (conditional), please transmit two conformed copies of the resolution and the Notice of Proposed Vacation to Public Works, who will post the notices pursuant to California Streets and Highways Code Section 8323.

Upon adoption of the Resolution to Conditionally Vacate with Reservations, please return one original and one copy of the resolution to Public Works, Mapping & Property Management Division, together with a copy of your Board's minute order. Retain one original for your files.

Respectfully submitted.

WILLIAM T FUJIOKA
Chief Executive Officer

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Attachments (3)

c: County Counsel

# RESOLUTION OF INTENTION TO VACATE WITH RESERVATIONS ALLEYS EAST OF HOLMES AVENUE (CONDITIONAL)

WHEREAS, it is proposed that the Alleys east of Holmes Avenue, in the unincorporated County area known as Florence, State of California, be vacated as public easements; and

WHEREAS, the proposed vacation has been approved by the Director of the County of Los Angeles Department of Public Works.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Los Angeles, State of California, that it is the intention of said Board of Supervisors to order that the aforementioned alleys legally described in Exhibit A and depicted on Exhibit B, both attached hereto and incorporated herein by this reference covering the rights of way in the County of Los Angeles, State of California, be vacated, pursuant to Chapter 3, Part 3, Division 9, of the Streets and Highways Code, State of California, commencing with Section 8320;

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS ORDER	RED by the Board o	of Supervisors of th	ne County
of Los Angeles, State of California, the	day of	. 20	at the
nour of a.m./p.m. of said day,	is the day and hou	r, and the Hearing	Room of
the Board of Supervisors, Room 381 Ke	nneth Hahn Hall o	of Administration. 5	500 West
Temple Street (corner of Temple Street	and Grand Avenue	e), Los Angeles, C	California.
90012, is the place fixed by the Board	of Supervisors wh	en and where an	v and all
persons having objections to the propose	d vacation may ap	pear before the sa	aid Board
of Supervisors and show cause why sai	d proposed vacati	on should not be	made in
accordance with this Resolution.			

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that a notice of such proposed vacation be conspicuously posted, along the line of the area proposed to be vacated, in the manner and in the form required by law, and shall cause same to be published in a newspaper of general circulation published in the County, for at least two successive weeks prior to the day fixed for the hearing.

The foregoing Resolution was on the adopted and ordered by the Board of Sup ex-officio the governing body of all other which said Board so acts.	e day of, 20, ervisors of the County of Los Angeles, and special assessment and taxing districts for
APPROVED AS TO FORM:	SACHI A. HAMAI
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#### **EXHIBIT A**

**ALLEYS EAST OF HOLMES AVENUE** 

A.I.N. 6009-004 T.G. 674-G5 & G6 I.M. 099-197 R.D. 141 S.D. 1 M0788106

## LEGAL DESCRIPTION (Vacation of Easements)

#### Part A:

That certain Alley, 15 feet wide, as shown on map of the First Addition to Huntington Park, recorded in Book 4, page 40, of Maps, in the office of the Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk of the County of Los Angeles, lying southerly and adjoining Lots 1 to 9, inclusive, of Block 4 of said map.

#### Part B:

That certain Alley, 15 feet wide, as shown on above mentioned map, lying easterly and adjoining Lots 10 to 15, inclusive, of above mentioned Block 4.

RESERVING easements and rights for utility facilities owned by Southern California Edison Company, Golden State Water Company, Pacific Bell Telephone Company (dba AT&T California), and Time Warner Cable in, on, over, and across the above-described Part A and Part B hereby being vacated.

The reservations herein being made are done in accordance with the provisions of Section 8340 and 8341 of the Streets and Highways Code, State of California.

Containing: 10,903± square feet

APPROVED AS TO DESCRIPTION

November 13, 2007

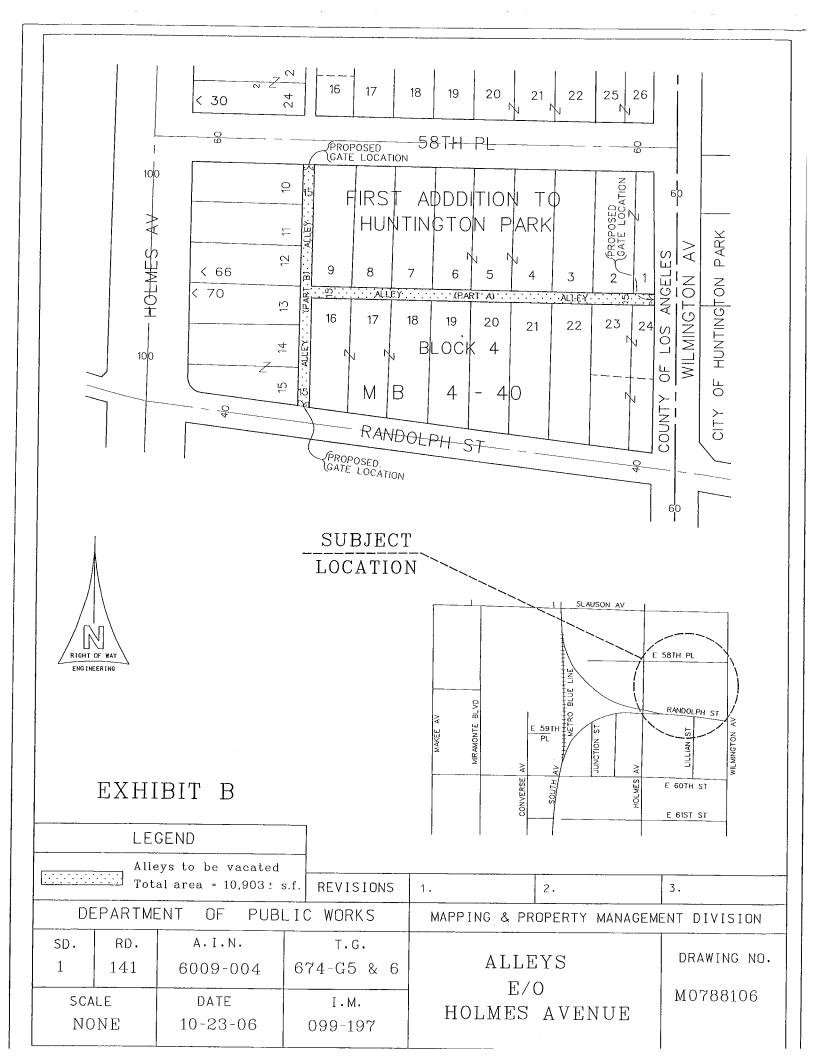
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By MODUCE

SUPERVISING CADASTRAL ENGINEER III

Mapping & Property Management Division

This real property description has been prepared in conformance with the Professional Land Surveyors Act. The signatory herein is exempt pursuant to Section 8726 of the California Business and Professions Code.



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Exhibit A and depicted on Exhibit B, both attached hereto, be conditionally vacated pursuant to Chapter 3, Part 3, Division 9, of the Streets and Highways Code, State o California, commencing with Section 8320; and
WHEREAS, notice of proposed vacation has been given by publication and by posting; and
WHEREAS, said Board of Supervisors held a public hearing on said proposed vacation, 20; and

WHEREAS, said Board of Supervisors has found and determined that the alleys to be vacated are no longer necessary for present or prospective public use based upon the fact that the subject rights of way are not required for general public access or circulation and are not useful as nonmotorized transportation facilities; and

WHEREAS, the vacation is conditioned upon the applicants complying with the following:

- 1. Submit gate details to Public Works and the Fire Department for review and approval. The gates shall be located outside of the road right of way and shall open inward.
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The above conditions must be successfully met to the satisfaction of Public Works within one year of the date this resolution is adopted by the Board of Supervisors or the vacation will terminate and become null and void.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Los Angeles, State of California, that the above-referenced rights of way are hereby conditionally vacated pursuant to Chapter 3, Part 3, Division 9, of the Streets and Highways Code, State of California, commencing with Section 8320; reserving and excepting therefrom easements and rights for utility facilities owned by Golden State Water Company, Pacific Bell Telephone Company (dba AT&T California), Southern

California Edison Company, and Time Warner Cable, as set forth in Sections 8340 and 8341 of said Streets and Highways Code.

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that upon the satisfaction of the above conditions, Public Works be authorized to record the certified original resolution in the office of the Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk, at which time the areas vacated shall no longer constitute public easements.

The foregoing Resolution was on the adopted by the Board of Supervisors of th governing body of all other special assessments of acts.	day of, 20, 20 e County of Los Angeles, and ex-officio the nent and taxing districts for which said Board
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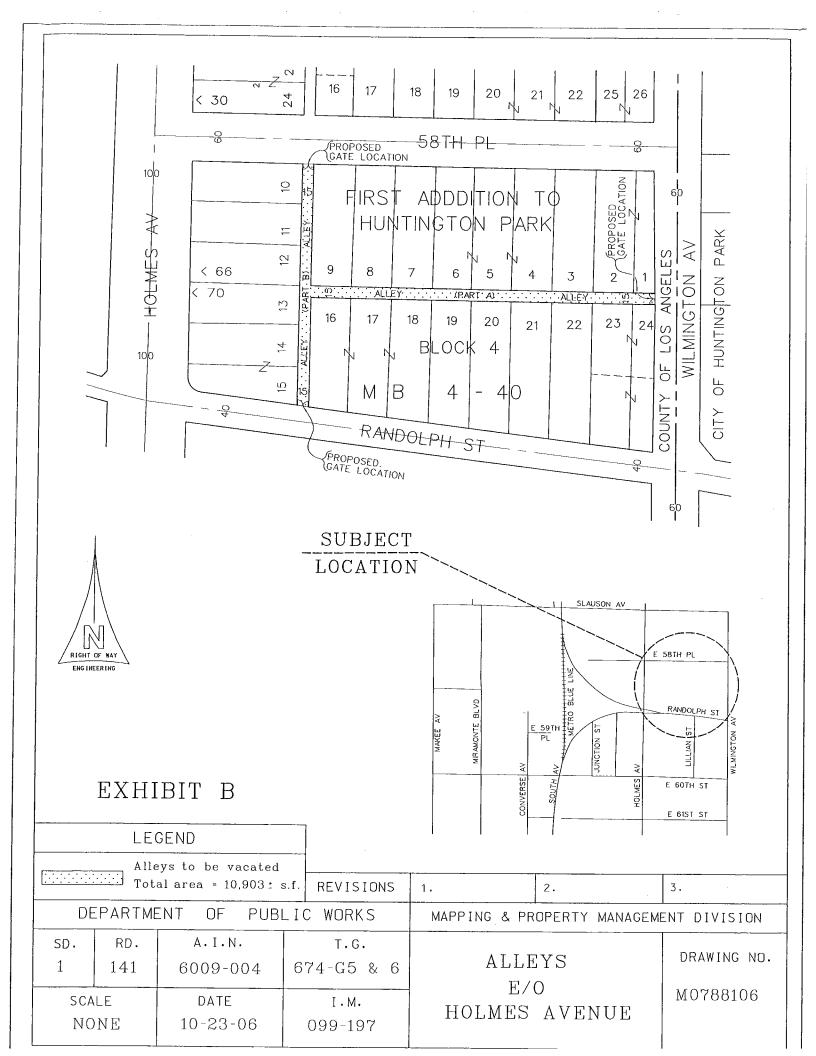
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# NOTICE OF PROPOSED VACATION OF ALLEYS EAST OF HOLMES AVENUE, IN THE VICINITY OF FLORENCE, IN THE 1ST SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT

Board of Supervisors of the County of L	a Resolution of Intention was adopted by the os Angeles on, 20,
in the 1st Supervisorial District, as described attached hereto and incorporated he	east of Holmes Avenue (Florence, CA 90001) ribed in Exhibit A and depicted on Exhibit B, rein by this reference.
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Board of Supervisors, Room 381, Kenr	ion will be held in the Hearing Room of the neth Hahn Hall of Administration, 500 West and Grand Avenue), Los Angeles, California,, 20, at a.m./p.m.
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